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Cactus District Weekly Update

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Welcome to this week's Cactus District Weekly Update!

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What is Glendale's Transportation Future? We Need Your Input!

Transportation is important because it is how we get to and from school, work, shopping, medical appointments, recreation, entertainment, and more!

The City of Glendale is updating its Transportation Master Plan, which will lay out how the City's Transportation System will improve and change over the next 25 years: how vehicles, bicycles, pedestrians, transit, and aviation will move, how investments will be prioritized, and how decisions will be made.



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Amenities**

The more involvement and input we can get from residents, businesses, and visitors, the better the plan will be!

The City of Glendale is kicking off a public involvement campaign to gather resident feedback as part of the Transportation Master Plan update. We are seeking input on what residents believe should be the transportation goals, needs, priorities, and recommendations over the next 25 years. We will be attending events and directing people to an interactive website launching in early November to participate in short surveys and an interactive map tool that will help shape the plan. We will rely on email to let people know when we are attending events and to encourage them to visit the website and provide input.

Would you be willing to be on the project email list? Please contact Project Manager Patrick Sage at psage@glendaleaz.com and staff will add you to the list and keep you informed of opportunities to participate!

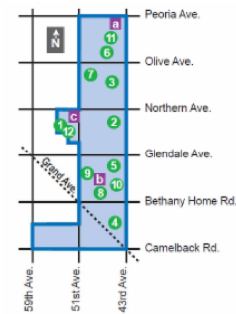
Glendale Presiding Judge to be Inducted into Maricopa Bar Association Hall of Fame.

The Honorable Elizabeth Finn, Presiding Judge of Glendale City Court, will be inducted into the Maricopa County Bar Association's (MCBA) Hall of Fame. The formal induction will take place on Tuesday, October 27 at the MCBA's Annual Meeting Luncheon.



Judge Finn is one of three generations of attorneys. Her father, Herbert B. Finn - known for his civil rights work - is already an MCBA Hall of Fame inductee; her mother, Ruth G. Finn, graduated summa cum laude from the founding graduating class of the Sandra Day O'Connor School of Law at Arizona State University in 1970. Judge Finn's sister, Alice Finn Gartell, and her son, Jesse Finn Turner, add to the family tradition.

Elizabeth Finn has been a judge for 36 years; she is Arizona's most senior judge. Her passion for prevention of domestic violence is evidenced by her involvement in a wide variety of projects. She has



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Elsie McCarthy Sensory Garden

7637 N. 55th Ave.
Located south of Northern Avenue on 55th Avenue

The Elsie McCarthy Sensory Garden was developed to stimulate the senses of sight, sound, smell and touch. Through the use of specific plants and trees for texture and scent, water features for sound, touch and sight and evening lighting for dramatic visuals, this garden is one of Glendale's proudest locations.

Watch a video on the park [here](#).

written and implemented hundreds of grants, including one that directed \$1.5 million in federal funds to coordinate multi-agency responses to domestic violence cases. Judge Finn is a founding member and Past Chair of the Arizona Supreme Court Committee on the Impact of Domestic Violence; the primary author of the first Protective Order Benchbook; and a member of the O'Connor House Avon Project for Women and Justice.

Through her career, Judge Finn has also been instrumental in the creation of specialty courts, including Glendale's Mental Health Court, Domestic Violence Treatment Court, and Homeless Court. She was honored in 1998 as the Outstanding Limited Jurisdiction Judge in the nation by the American Bar Association; was named Outstanding Judge in Arizona by the Arizona Bar Association; and in 2000, was named one of the outstanding 100 Women and Minority Attorneys in Arizona. She has presented hundreds of conferences on behalf of Arizona's Supreme Court and State Bar in the areas of DUI, domestic violence, mental health, and gender and cultural diversity.

Judge Finn said, "I have been very blessed in my judicial career to find my passions: teaching, domestic violence and mental health issues." She added, "There is nothing more rewarding than seeing courts save the lives of victims and defendants. We, in the justice system, truly can make a difference."

For more information about the Glendale City Court, visit www.glendaleaz.com/court.

Glendale Offers Resources, Tips for Safe Halloween Night.

Did you know that children are four times more likely to be hit by a car on Halloween than any other night of the year? In addition, seasonal decorations and costumes can be highly flammable and pose risks to your family or your home.

Halloween is a popular holiday, with costumes, trick-or-treating and parties, but it can also be a time to be mindful of safety precautions to make sure everyone has a fun time and stays safe.



Beginning October 21, the city of Glendale is offering 'Be Safe, Be Seen' reflective Halloween bags, glow-in-the-dark bracelets and safety coloring books at



Rose Lane Park

51st Avenue and Marlette Avenue

Open: 6 a.m. - 10 p.m.

This community park is 19 acres and features an aquatics center, open in the summer, and the Rose Lane Recreation Center.

The community center features after-school activities for children.

Rose Lane Park

includes:

Lighted ball field
Lighted basketball court
Two lighted volleyball courts
Four lighted racquetball courts
Playground
Picnic tables
Grills
Restrooms
[Reservable ramadas](#)
[Aquatic center](#)
[Recreation center](#)



Rose Lane Recreation Center

5003 W. Marlette Ave.
623-930-7945

Heart for the City Hours:
Monday - Friday, 2-7 p.m.

any of the three Glendale libraries, which are free while supplies last.

The Glendale Police, Fire and Transportation Services departments have created a video to remind residents about important safety information for Halloween night. The video is on the city's [YouTube channel](#).

Make the most of your Halloween festivities by following the safety tips from the city of Glendale. For additional information, visit www.glendaleaz.com or call the Transportation Services Department at 623-930-2940.

New Fall Hours at the Velma Teague Library

Beginning October 1, at the Velma Teague Branch Library, 7010 N. 58th Ave.

The Velma Teague Library's new operating hours:

Monday & Thursday: 1-8 p.m.
Tuesday & Wednesday: 10 a.m.-6 p.m.
Friday & Sunday: Closed
Saturday: 10 a.m.-3 p.m.

For more information, call 623-930-3430.

The Rose Lane Recreation Center features after-school activities for children, including open recreation; soccer; water fun; arts and crafts; reading time; and weekly movies with popcorn. [More Information](#).



Rose Lane Aquatics Center

5003 W. Marlette Ave. *
623-930-7905
(east of 51st Ave., north of Bethany Home Rd.)

This seasonal facility is only open to the public during the summer.

Activities include full facility aquatic rentals, seasonal private swim lessons, group swim lessons, and summer public recreation swimming. This facility includes a large, zero depth entry leisure pool with spray features, a splash pad, a giant slide, a kiddie slide, and a big pool with a diving well and a diving board. Rose Lane has outdoor "day use" lockers. Please bring your own lock or you may purchase one at the Rose Lane Cashier's Office. This facility is only staffed when the pools are open for aquatic programming.

[View a Slide Show of the
Rose Lane Aquatics
Center here!](#)

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